CHECKLIST OF N. A. RHAGONYCHA

angulata Say antennata Green campestris Green cartwrighti Green cloughi Miskimen coloradensis Green costipennis LeConte cruralis LeConte degener Blatchlev excavata LeConte fenderi Miskimen flavipes LeConte dichroa LeConte fraxini Say ater Kirby binodula Mannerheim nigrita LeConte greeni Fall heterodoxa Green

hirticula Green imbecillis LeConte albolineata Blatchley impar LeConte lineola Fabricius parallela Say sayi LeConte longula LeConte luteicollis German cinctella LeConte mandibularis Kirby nigritula LeConte mimetica Green nanula LeConte nigriceps LeConte pusilla LeConte mollis Fall ssp. mima Fall nigrohumeralis Green

oriflava LeConte parvicollis Green picticornis Green proxima Green recta Melsheimer rufipes Say pusilla LeConte ruficollis LeConte scitula Sav seiberti Miskimen septentrionis Green sylvatica Green tantilla LeConte pusio LeConte tenuis Green triangulifera Green umbrina Green vestigialis Green vilis LeConte

This change, and other current studies, is helping to bring our understanding of the Cantharidae more in line with that of European workers and with modern taxonomic concepts.

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A NEW SPECIES OF SCYMNUS FROM MARYLAND (COLEOPTERA: COCCINELLIDAE)

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ABSTRACT

Scymnus (Scymnobius) gordoni n. sp. is described from College Park, Maryland. The male genitalia and the female internal genitalia are figured.

I have placed the following new species of Scymnus in the subgenus Scymnobius Casey. I have some reservations at this time about whether

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Scymnobius Csy. is a synonym of Nephus Mulsant. The eyes seem to be much less emarginate in Scymnobius than in Nephus, and the metacoxal line of Scymnobius is similar to that of Parascymnus Chapin figured in Chapin 1965:208, as opposed to the figure of Nephus 1965:200.

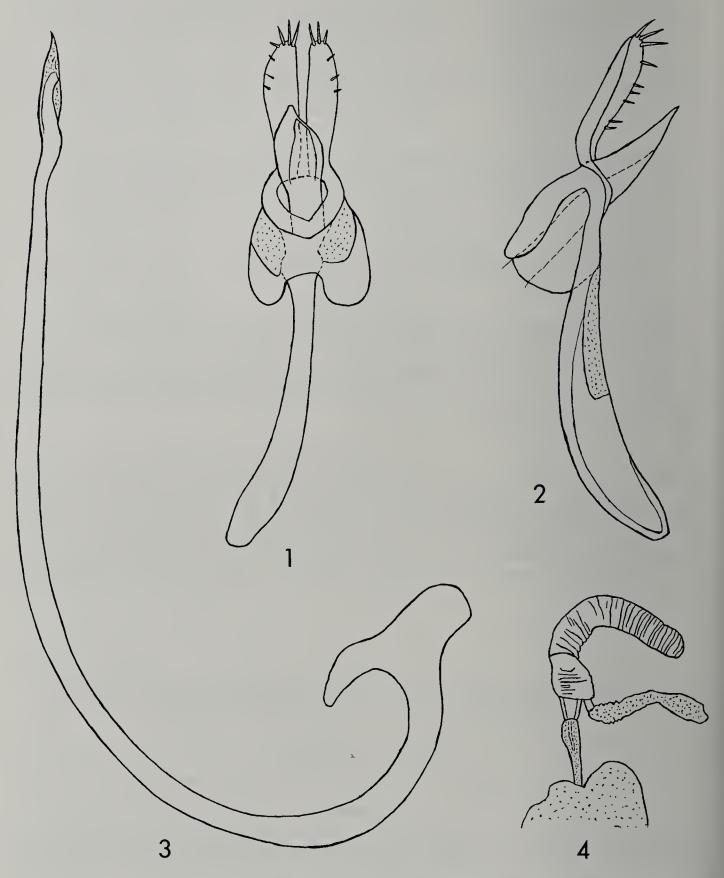


Fig. 1-4: Scymnus gordoni n. sp. 1) Male genitalia of holotype, phallobase, ventral view. 2) Male genitalia of holotype, phallobase, lateral view. 3) Male genitalia of holotype, sipho, lateral view. 4) Female internal genitalia of allotype.

Scymnus (Scymnobius) gordoni Dozier, NEW SPECIES (Fig. 1-4)

HOLOTYPE MALE: Oval. Side of pronotum curved fairly uniformly into the side of the elytron.

Head: Dull red, ferrugineous; minutely and closely punctate; heavily pubescent; eyes apparently entire but acutally minutely emarginate, finely faceted, pubescent; epistoma short and truncate.

Pronotum: Entirely dull red, ferrugineous; minutely and closely punctate; heavily pubescent. Pubescence at center of the base inclinate toward midline; remaining pubescence generally inclinate toward apex.

Elytra: Black; apical bead and very tip edge (apical 1/32) brown; humeral callus distinct; minutely and shallowly, closely, punctate; heavily pubescent. Pubescence swirled in an "S" pattern (i.e. basal 1/4 inclinate laterally, second 1/4 inclinate apically and then toward the suture, apical half inclinate laterally).

Underside: Prosternum ferrugineous; slightly convex, punctate, pubescent, not carinate. Meso- and metasterna black punctate, pubescent. Elytral epipleura brown. Abdominal sternites black (5th sternite appeared brown prior to dissection and placing in KOH), finely punctate, pubescent. First sternite not modified in the middle. Inner portion of metacoxal line evenly arcuate, line not attaining apex of segment, extending laterally nearly parallel to apex of segment to a point near lateral edge. Distance between metacoxal line and apex of segment approximately 1/4 length of metacoxal plate. Inner 1/3 of metacoxal plate less densely punctate, lateral 2/3 densely punctate. Sixth sternite very short, small, truncate or very slightly emarginate at center, apical hair thicker and longer on each side of center, sparse in center. Legs and tarsi entirely ferrugineous.

Genitalia: Shown in Fig. 1-3.

ALLOTYPE FEMALE: Abdominal sternites brown. Sixth sternite very small but rounded, normal. Metacoxal plate more densely punctate than in male. Internal genitalia shown in Fig. 4.

Length: holotype, 1.9mm; allotype, 2.1mm; paratypes 1.8-2.05mm. Width: holotype, 1.3mm; allotype, 1.4mm; paratypes 1.3-1.45mm.

SPECIMENS EXAMINED: Holotype: Maryland, College Park, 15-IX-68, H. L. Dozier, sweeping chinquapin oak. Allotype: Maryland, College Park, 26-VIII-67, H. L. Dozier. Paratypes: (2 males, 3 females) all same data as types except: 15-IX-68, 1 male [U.S. Nat'l. Mus] and 2 females [1 Florida St. Colln. Arthropods]; 22-IX-68, 1 male; 8-IX-68, 1 female. The holotype, allotype, and all paratypes (except those noted) are in my collection.

It will run to the subgenus Scymnobius in Casey's (1899) key but goes no further because the elytra are black and have no spots or markings.

I am indebted to Dr. Robert D. Gordon for his dissections of the genitalia of the type series, and I take pleasure in naming this species after him in recognition of his work on the Coccinellidae.

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